



# Frome Valley First School News Weekly



## Star of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who are the:

### **'Stars of the Week'**

Reception: Olivia L

Year 1: Hope

Year 2: Cooper

Year 3: Jessica

Year 4: Ella



## Day of Hope – Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April

On **Thursday**, we are holding our 'Hope Celebration'. For the day, we are asking children to **come into school, in non-uniform, wearing as many colours as possible!** (linking to a rainbow being a symbol of hope). Any children that find non-uniform days challenging can come into school in their normal uniform or some kind of clothing added to their uniform.

We are creating a whole school/community display on what hope means to us and we need your contribution. We are sending home to each parent a piece of coloured paper. We would like you to let us know what hope means to you. It could be a word, a photograph, a symbol, a memory, a poem, a quote, a phrase, a painting, a drawing.... It could be anything as long as it symbolises hope to you. Please could you complete your sheet of paper (including writing your name on the paper) **and return it to school by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**. The children and staff will be completing their sheets at school. We will then make a rainbow of what hope means to us all. We will make sure, somehow, that you get to see the final display as well as your children's responses.

## Wellbeing Day

On the first day back after the Easter holidays (**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April**), we are holding our **Wellbeing Day**. This is a day when we focus on positive mental wellbeing in the morning and anti-bullying in the afternoon. We would like all children to come to school wearing blue clothes. This is to remind everyone of our **NO BULLYING** ethos, as blue is the universal 'no bullying' colour.

### Important Information for All Parents

As advised at the end of previous half terms, we need parents of children that are attending school to let us know if your child develops coronavirus symptoms in the first 48 hours of school closing.

Advice if a child develops symptoms **within 48 hours** of school closing

From Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April you will need to contact school **by email** if:

- A child **begins to show coronavirus symptoms** (fever, new continuous cough, loss of taste or smell) **either on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> April AND then tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19). Please remember it has to be a PCR test – not a lateral flow one.**

We will be monitoring our emails daily. We would then need to advise **all children and staff in that bubble** to self-isolate for 10 days.

Advice if a child develops symptoms **later than 48 hours** of school closing

Where a pupil tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms **more than 48 hours** since being in school (**from Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> April**), then **the school does not need to be contacted**. Parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.

### Comic Relief Donations

Thank you to everyone for their donations.

We have raised **£140** for this worthy cause.



### COVID Guidelines

A reminder to all that if anyone in your household or support bubble is displaying COVID symptoms, such as temperature, new continuous cough or loss of taste or smell, then **the whole household / bubble** needs to isolate until a negative COVID test has been received. **This has to be a PCR test and can't be a lateral flow test.**

The quickest way to arrange a PCR test is to book a test online via <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

### Local Food Links

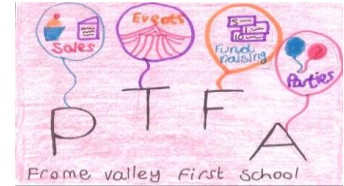
The new menu for the summer term will be live from tomorrow, **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> March**. Orders can then be placed online for the first half of the summer term.

### Year 3 Vacancy

We wish to advise parents that we are currently recruiting for a permanent teacher in Year 3 to teach on a Thursday and Friday. Interviews will take place in May. We will update parents, when we have some news.

### **PTFA News**

Hello, every child should now have brought home their sponsorship form for our 'Sponsored Bunny Hop'. If you don't have one or you need another please email or ring the office, or ask your child's teacher.



The children (and teachers) are very 'Egg-cited' about the event, it will take place on **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April**. It will be a fun, outdoors, Easter themed activity and all the children will receive a certificate. Those who manage to achieve the most bunny hops in the allotted time will also be rewarded with an Easter treat!

This will be only the second opportunity we've had to raise funds for our school in the last twelve months, so please, give what you can...and if you can't, don't worry, maybe there's someone else you know who could sponsor your child/children?

The sponsor form needs to be returned in the first week back after Easter please.

If you didn't know, anyone can also support our school FOR FREE by using EasyFundraising when shopping online. There are over 4,500 online retailers including Amazon, John Lewis, M&S, Argos, eBay and Uswitch who will give us free donations! This all helps fund our school with much needed resources and much more. So what are you waiting for?!

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/framevptfa/?invite=VD7BDR&referral-campaign=s2s>

We have a PTFA Facebook page, please like us!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/137812963513493/>

If you think you can spare any of your time (even if just a little!) to help us out with our fundraising, then please message on our Facebook page or email

[fv.ptfa2020@gmail.com](mailto:fv.ptfa2020@gmail.com), all new members or helpers will *always* be welcome!

### **Vacancies for Midday Supervisor and Childcare Supervisor (Breakfast Club)**

We currently have the above 2 vacancies in school. Applications close on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April**. Please visit <https://jobs.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/SearchResults.aspx?ocq=243> for further details of the vacancies and how to apply.

### **Nut Free School Lunches and Snacks**

A reminder to everyone that we are a nut free school. Please ensure that all lunches, snacks and drinks do not contain nuts. Thank you for your help



### ***Finally,***

We hope that everyone has an enjoyable and restful Easter holiday. We welcome children back to school on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April**.